## REVENUE.

*(Nos. 45 to 83.)*

SUBJECT No. 45.

Duties of Jamabandi officer.

Mr. M. S. Ramachar, Kolar municipality.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Jamabandi officer now relies on his clerks in the matter of passing orders on various subjects brought under *Takarar Thakhta* and *Pavathi Varas Thakhta*. The clerk concerned writes out the order and the officer signs it. The orders so written out by the clerk do not always conform to the facts. It is therefore necessary that the officer should write out the order in his own hand, recording sufficient reasons.

The member added that in the case of *Nam Tabdil* lists orders were passed without taking any further evidence on the statements contained in the shanbhogs' reports, and it was necessary that these enquiries should be held by the Jamabandi officers in person and the orders written out by them.

*Mr. G. Narasimhachar* said that notice should be given to the occupant of the land and not to the tenant before cases of encroachment were decided.

*Reply of Government.*—Recorded. If specific instances are brought to notice, they will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 46.

Disposal of revenue matters.

Mr. Venkataramaniah, Kolar municipality.

*Summary of discussion.*—There is considerable delay in the disposal of revenue matters and a method and procedure may be prescribed for revenue enquires as in civil and criminal courts.

In support of his representation, the member urged that the present method of referring all matters to the shekdar was unsatisfactory, and that revenue petitions were usually lost sight of after their receipt. He added that there was long delay in the disposal of revenue cases, the average duration of a case being from 3 to 5 years and suggested that it was necessary to adopt civil and criminal procedure rules and to enforce the speedy transmission of papers.

*Mr. Sura Sastri* suggested that each petition should be numbered and posted for hearing just as miscellaneous petitions were treated in civil courts.

*Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao* referred to the delay in the disposal of *darkhasts*.

*Mr. Channakesaviah* proposed that local Revenue officers might be directed to acknowledge petitions.

Some of the members promised to send suggestions in writing to facilitate the disposal of petitions.

*Reply of Government.*—The matter is under consideration. Government will be glad to receive specific sug-